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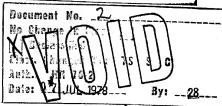


- Rumanian soldiers are used as aircraft spotters in the following two areas in Ploesti:
 - a. Cathedral tower, 40 meters high, highest landmark in Ploesti. The spotters are not visible from Calea Campinei Street which is in front of the cathedral. This street is also on the highway between Sinaia and Bucharest.

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- only one spotter on duty on the tower, 30 meters high at the market place cater-cornered from the courthouse. Latter fronts on the same street several blocks up from the cathedral (toward Bucharest). Spotters were visible on the small balcony around the tower. This tower was to house a large clock which was never installed. At one time four spotters were seen; binoculars used.
- 2. The spotters in these two towers were first noticed during May 1950.
- Reportedly anti-aircraft batteries, probably Rumanian, will be placed on roofs of buildings in the Ploesti area. Platforms and short iron ladders are being prepared for eventual guns to be placed on the roof tops.

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